

Welcome to...



We're glad you're here!

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Week seven of eight

Serving from the Heart

... helping us identify the unique ways God has designed us to fit into the Body of Christ and serve with a servant's heart.

What's up in worship?

Today: "Experiences": We all have a past – good or bad. Our experiences make us who we are. It's not about good or bad experiences, although we have each, and it's not about who's responsible for them. It's the fact that God uses them to fulfill his purposes; their meaning and weight defined by our own understanding.

Next Week: "We are being transformed..." Not only do we celebrate the revelation of the identity/divinity of Christ next week, we but we also realize that through Christ, we might be transformed more fully into his image; i.e. We are becoming more holy, more conformed into the way and the Body of Christ. To continue to develop our own sense of holy purpose of Serving from the Heart is to follow Jesus back down the mountain and into ministry.

Today's Community Connections:

- If you are interested in providing fresh flowers for worship, please sign up at the *Connections Corner* table. (See bullet point below.)
- **Feel like you missed something?** The *Connections Corner* table can help. Head across the atrium and get the information you need just under the tv monitor.
- Don't receive our weekly e-news? To get on the list email SueK@wesleychurch.com or sign up at the *Connections Corner* table.
- Tools for Ministry in the North District will be held on Saturday, March 2. All members are welcome to attend. Registration information can be found in the e-news or on the community connections table.
- **Annual Used Book Sale:** Sundays March 3 & 10, come peruse the many tables of books and make a donation that will go towards the church library. **Have books to donate?** Be sure to drop them off at the church prior to March 2.
- Fellowship luncheon will be held on Sunday, March 10 in Fellowship Hall. Join us for fellowship and delicious food. Proceeds of the event will go towards the backpack program.
- "Easter" Painting Party: March 10: 1 - 2:30 PM. The backpack team is hosting a painting party to raise funds for the We Got Your Back Backpack program. Event is \$25 pp. Space is limited and is reserved once payment is made. Sample painting is on display in the Atrium. For information and to make your reservation, see Sue Kiefner.
- Be sure to check out your e-news for information on ongoing groups and classes for personal growth.
- **Support a missionary?** Short term missionary Lori Dietz will be heading to Manaus, Brazil. **She needs our help.** To see what you can do, drop by the desk outside the chapel.
- **Tonight!** Youth Group is meeting in Fellowship Hall from 6:00-8:00. Bring a friend!!

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Today's morning schedule:

9:00 – Contemporary worship

10:15 – Sunday School for all ages;

11:00 – Classic (traditional) worship

Hospitality is offered in the atrium.

Church office hours are
from 9 AM-3 PM weekdays
during the school year.

† invites all to stand, if able.

Contemporary Worship Order

February 24th, 2019: *Serving from the Heart*, Week #7: 7th Sunday after Epiphany

† Welcome and Greeting

Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship

Please stand and take some time to say hello to those around you and remind them that Jesus is here! Peace!

Special Music

How Firm A Foundation (Arr. M. L. Thompson)

Glockenchor Bell Choir

† Praising God in Song

My Lighthouse and Lord, Reign In Me

The Ensemble

† Scripture

Genesis 50:14-21, Romans 8:28, 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Sam Graybeal, Reader

Children's Message

Andrew Krpata, Pastor

Congregational Prayer

Whether offering your prayer aloud or keeping it confidential, please continue to fill out the blue cards and place them in the offering so that the prayer team may continue to faithfully do its work. Thank you!

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts

The blue *Sign-in Cards / Prayer Cards* are available in the pew racks. They, as well as your morning offering, can be placed in the offering plates as they are passed along your pew. Thank you!

Music during the Offering

The Stand

The Ensemble

Message

"Experiences"

Pastor Andy

Musical Response

The Potter's Hand (Darlene Zschech)

The Ensemble

Beautiful Lord, wonderful Savior / I know for sure all of my days are held in Your hand / Crafted into Your perfect plan

You gently call me into Your presence / Guiding me by Your Holy Spirit / Teach me, dear Lord, to live all of my life through Your eyes

I'm captured by Your holy calling / Set me apart, I know You're drawing me to Yourself / Lead me, Lord, I pray

(Chorus) Take me, mold me, use me, fill me / I give my life to the Potter's hand
Call me, guide me / Lead me, walk beside me / I give my life to the Potter's hand

You gently call me into Your presence / Guiding me by Your Holy Spirit / Teach me, dear, Lord, to live all of my life through Your eyes

I'm captured by Your holy calling / Set me apart, I know You're drawing me to Yourself / Lead me, Lord, I pray (to chorus 2x)

Community Connections

Please see front of bulletin.

Update on The Way Forward

Please see the link on our church website.

† Closing Song

Today Is the Day

The Ensemble

† Closing Words and Dismissal

† invites all to stand, if able.

Classic Worship Order

February 24th, 2019: *Serving from the Heart*, Week #7: 7th Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude *Fugue No. 9, E Major (J. S Bach)* Becky Graybeal, piano

† **Welcome and Greeting** Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship
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† **Opening Hymn** *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* #126, United Methodist Hymnal (UMH)

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Offertory *Here I Am, Lord with Take My Life and Let It Be (arr. J. Raney)* Becky, Piano
† **Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* #95, UMH

† **Scripture** Genesis 50:14-21, Romans 8:28, 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 Gary Jerabek, Reader
† **Hymn** *Open My Eyes, That I May See* #454, UMH

Message "Experiences" Andrew Krpata, Pastor

Musical Response *The Potter's Hand (Arr. L. Larson)* Chancel Choir

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Update on The Way Forward Please see the link on our church website.

† **Closing Hymn** *Trust and Obey* #467, UMH

† **Benediction and Response** *Take My Life and Let It Be* Please join in singing!

Take my life and let it be, consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

† **Postlude** *Sonata No. 5 in A Major, Allegro (F. Haydn)* Becky, Piano

WESLEY BULLETIN PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

FEBRUARY 24, 2019

*"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything.
Tell Him what you need and thank him for all he has done."*

Philippians 4:6 New Living Translation

February 17

Evie Strain for Carol Covert in Rehab. **Frank Madura** God's healing for Chuck, Mary & Dennis – all with cancer; God's wisdom as my mother's caregiver; God's guidance for all seeking employment. Sympathy to Mary's family on her passing. **Christine Bainbridge** for my dad, Tom, as he recovers from hospital visit. **Deb Silliman** for wisdom and courage to do God's will regarding Sunday School leaders and teachers. The **Ksenzakovic Family** for Wesley Church and country, for parent's and aunt's health. The **Lockhart Family** for a co-worker's dad, Mr. Pokrivsak, currently in hospital. Guidance for med staff and strength for family. **Terry Nighan** for guidance in teaching Sunday School and VBS prep. **Sandy Kereczman** for continued healing for Andy and favorable test result. **Laurie Bilheimer** grace and guidance for Stephen.

JOYS AND PRAISES:

Frank Madura praise to God for the fellowship of the church and all His healings. **Deb Silliman** gives praise for friendships created and growing in Sunday School. **Terry Nighan** gives thanks for all the children of Wesley.

SYMPATHY TO: **Bob Keiderling** and family on the passing of nephew Chris Gibbons.

CONTINUED HEALING /PRAYER CONCERNS:

Melissa Day, new health cares. **Kelly Hines'** father, Parkinson's disease. **Tom Keel**, foot surgeries & rehab. **Andy Kereczman**, cancer. **Bill Mains**, prostate cancer. **Beverly Marriner**, pain relief. **Carolyn & Larry Miller** prayers for healing. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for **Jeff**, brain cancer; for **Ivelisse**, breast cancer, & **Jennifer Grube**, battling cancer. **Frank Vitali**, cancer. **Diana Rivera**, eye problems.

THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP

At Home George & Martha Danner, Naomi Jones
Abington (Easton) Sylvia Thele
Gracedale Jane Sandt, Dorothy Coolin
Kirkland Village Barbara Guldner, Carol Covert

Moravian Village Agnes Smith
Sterling Heights Peggy Jacobson
Traditions of Hanover Marian Jeffery
Westminster Village Shirley Beiseigel

WESLEY CHURCH MINISTRIES: Our teachers and facilitators; Good Grief; Men's & Women's Small groups; TEACHRwanda; Visitation/Stephen Ministry; We've Got Your Backpack Day; Backpack Buddies; Cancer Support Groups; Wesley Community Garden; Lehigh Valley Outreach Depot; and UMC Leadership.

WESLEY LEADERSHIP TEAMS:

Committee on Nominations and Leadership: Pastor Andrew Krpata, Lenore Mohr, Mike Matakavage, Chris Jacobsen, Brian Graybeal, and Christy Hume.

Committee on Staff/Parish Relations: Dave Siegfried, Andrew Krpata, Mike Matakavage, Karen Marmaras, Meg Ksenzakovic, Liz Lewis, Mike Krom, Jaimee Walters, Samir Kakade and Nicole Lockhart.

Board of Trustees: Rich Chambers, Jeff Rose, Deb Silliman, Andrew Krpata, Frank Madura, Kim Krupka, Kraig Hume, Lisa Jacobsen, Doug Jantzi, and Bob Long.

Committee on Finance and Stewardship: Jim Hunter, Peter Marmaras, Andrew Krpata, Mike Matakavage, Karen Marmaras, Dave Siegfried, Rich Chambers, Sharon Schultz, Wayne Muffley, Anita Dalske, Aaron Hook, Bob Sopko, and Matt Dietz.

Church Council: Christian Lockhart (chairperson), Mike Matakavage (Lay Leader), Karen Marmaras (Lay Member to Annual Conference), Chris Foster (Alternate to Annual Conference), Jason Walters (Social Justice Ministries), Sue Kiefner (Outreach & Ministries), Ryan Adamson (Representative of UM Youth), Kailyn Whipple (Young Adult Representative) and Christine Bainbridge (Member at Large). Also included in Church Council are the chairpersons of our administrative committees.

We ask that you please update your prayer request information at least every two weeks.

This ensures that your request will remain on the Prayer List.

Thank you!